



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 2522
Yasuo FUKAGAWA et al. : Docket No.00325/CH:MKK, PC/E 627/US
Serial No. 09/284,578 : Group Art Unit 1617
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of November 21, 2001, the time for responding thereto being extended for three months in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please rewrite the paragraph on page 2, lines 2-25 as follows:

Under these circumstances, where raw materials for agriculture, forestry and fishery, and foods are manufactured in large quantities, chemotherapeutics that were originally developed for the emergency treatment of human or animal subjects are used as such, or used after their partial modifications; and organic, synthetic agrochemical with low selectivity of action (insecticides, bactericides, herbicides, oyster-attaching preventers, and the like) are used. This not only gives drug-induced sufferings, which can not be ignored, to those other than the targets, but also induces the appearance of tolerant organisms due to the diffusion of the drugs within an environment. A serious danger is thus pointed out that the drugs, which were developed for the emergency treatment of humans, can no longer be employed in their intended therapeutic use. In other words, drug-resistance, especially resistance to a great variety of antibiotics (multiple drug resistance) prevails

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